

Rule Up For Discussion and Possible Filing



Proposed Repealer to
WAC 230-40-320(1) & (3) Minors or intoxicated persons shall not play cards or provide services to the game; and
WAC 230-30-050 Punch board and pull-tab operating restrictions and dispensing limitations; and
NEW SECTION 230-06-015 Preventing intoxicated persons from operating or playing gambling activities

ITEM __ (a) on the March 10, 2006, Commission Meeting Agenda.	Statutory Authority 9.46.070
Who proposed the rule change?	
Staff	
Proposed Change	
The proposed change will take rules requiring licensees to prevent intoxicated persons from gambling from the Card Room Rules and Punch Board and Pull-Tab rules and combine them to form a new rule that requires licensees to prevent intoxicated persons from participating in or operating amusement games, bingo, card games, punch board and pull-tabs, or raffles.	
History of Rule	
The current rules apply to licensees to prevent intoxicated persons from gambling in card rooms and locations that sell punch boards and pull-tabs.	
Impact of the Proposed Change	
This proposed change adds consistency to our regulations by applying the same standard to all gambling activities.	
Regulatory Concerns	
This proposed rule change expands regulation by requiring all licensees to prevent intoxicated persons from participating in gambling or operating gambling activities.	
Resource Impacts	
We expect this to have little impact on staff resources.	
Policy Consideration	
The change to this rule strengthens restrictions against intoxicated persons gambling or operating gambling activities. It also makes the rule apply to all licensees where it had previously only covered card room and punch board/pull-tab licensees.	
Stakeholder Statements For the Proposed Rule Change	
None	
Stakeholder Statements Against the Proposed Rule Change	
None	

Licensees Directly Impacted
All gambling licensees will now have to prevent intoxicated persons from operating or participating in gambling activities.
Staff Recommendation
Staff recommends filing for further discussion.
Proposed Effective Date for Rule Change
January 1, 2008